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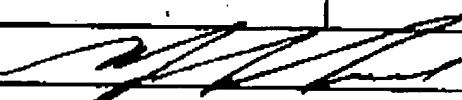
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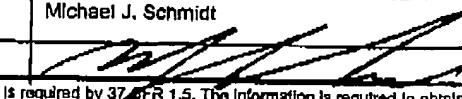
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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office communication concerning this application, please consider the following.

The Amendment filed January 15, 2007 was considered not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because there was no indication which of the newly added claims are readable upon the elected species of Claim 7. Applicant believes that all of Claims 11-16 read on the elected species.

If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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